



Congressman Sam Farr, a fifth-generation Californian, represents the state's beautiful Central Coast. Throughout his 16-year tenure, Farr has been a leading advocate for California agriculture, an outspoken activist for affordable housing and a champion of the oceans.

Farr sits on the powerful [House Appropriations Committee](#) and on three subcommittees:

- Subcommittee on [Agriculture, Rural Development and Food and Drug Administration](#)
- Subcommittee on [Military Construction and Veterans Affairs](#)
- Subcommittee on [Homeland Security](#)

He co-chairs the Congressional Organic Caucus, [Congressional Travel & Tourism Caucus](#), [House Oceans Caucus](#), and Unexploded Ordnance Caucus.

Prior to serving in Congress, Farr served twelve years in the California State Assembly and six years as Monterey County Supervisor. He graduated from Willamette University in Salem, Oregon and attended the Monterey Institute of International Studies and the University of Santa Clara. He began his career in public service in 1964 serving in the Peace Corps in Colombia. He is fluent in Spanish. He was raised in Carmel, California, and is married to Shary Baldwin Farr. The Farris have one daughter, Jessica, and two grandchildren, Ella and Zachrey.

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